

Leon Valley Public Library Trustee Board Minutes

April 14, :

2017

The meeting was called to order by Board President Jill Crane at 5:35 pm. Others in attendance were Library Director Sandy Underwood, Katie Gwaltney, Carol Poss, Brigid Cooley, Barbara Owens, Heather Haskin and Peggy Proffitt.

There were no citizens to be heard.

The March 2017 minutes were corrected to show that our party to honor library volunteers will be held on Apr 5th. A motion to approve the minutes as corrected was made by Katie and was seconded by Carol. The motion was carried.

Sandy reported that E-book usage has increased while the regular books usage is down some. The statistics may be down partly due to weeding out of some of our older books. The benchmark on purging books is between 3 – 5 years of the publishing date. Books with medical information are often purged because so much of the data contained is out of date. Other books are deleted if they are worn out or dirty. We also buy new copies of books which are considered as "classics."

Councilman David Jordan has been involved with our STEM programming. We have an individual who has experience with 3-D printers giving us pointers on their usage. Another new program involves "NASA at your Library." Sandy is also working on our oral history project. We will need to get a transcribing machine to enter stories that have been told to us. The summer reading program is "Build a Better World." The Friends of the Library bought a new television stand.

, The State Library Convention will be held from April 19 to April 22, 2017. Sandy and Theresa will be attending sessions but will be checking in with the staff. The character "Mr. Whiskers" (a lion's head) was created for us by students participating in the Los Leones art project. One of Sandy's goals for our next budget year is to budget for being open seven days a week. This would be keeping in line with the San Antonio Library system.

Carol reported that the first Saturday sale netted \$70.00. The Friends' next major book sale will be on March 23rd and March 24th from 10:00 – 6:00 pm. The Friends Only night will be March 22nd.

Our next meeting will be on May 9th.

There being no other business to discuss, Katie made a motion to adjourn 6:45 pm. Carol seconded the motion, which was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

